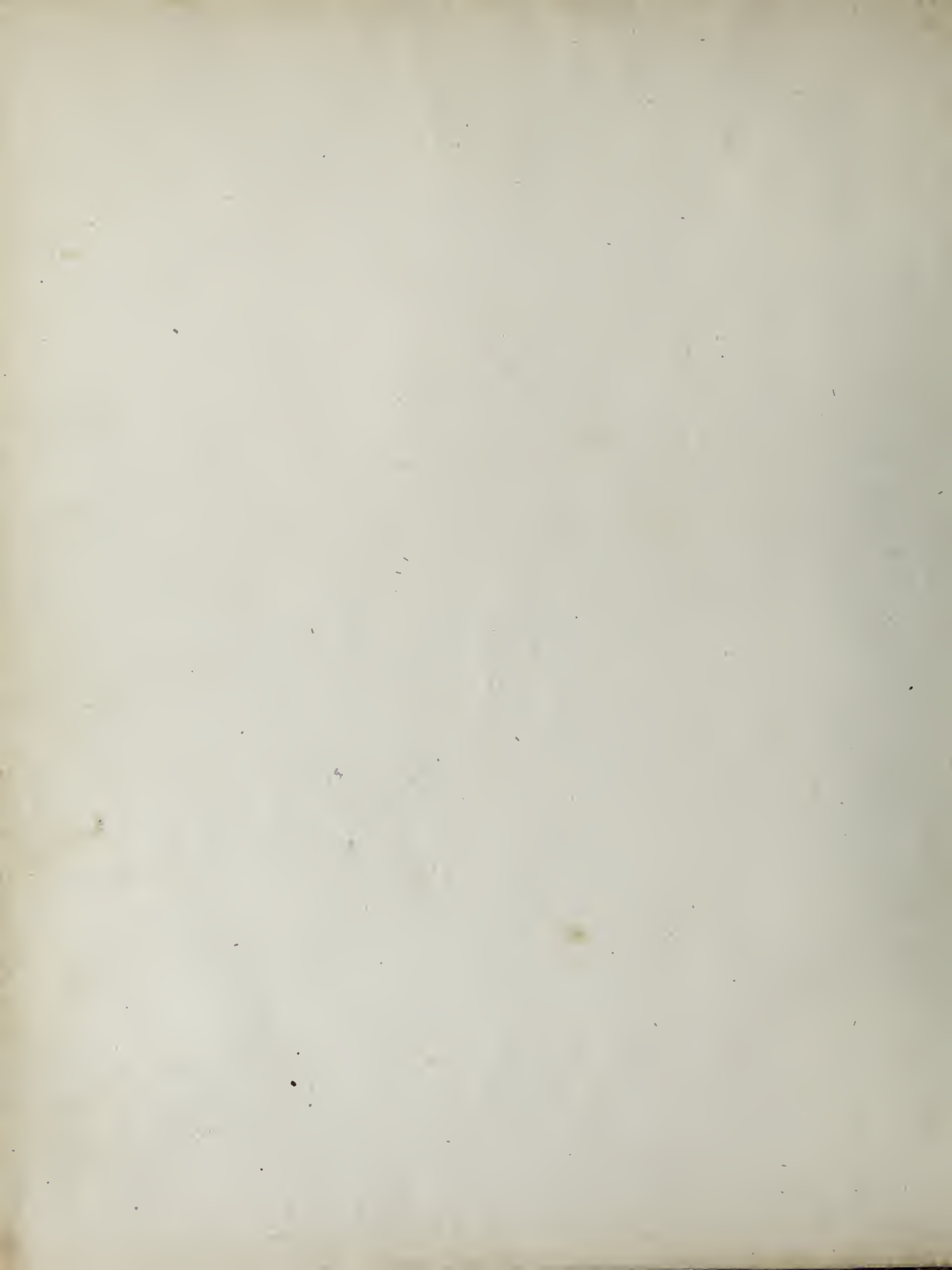


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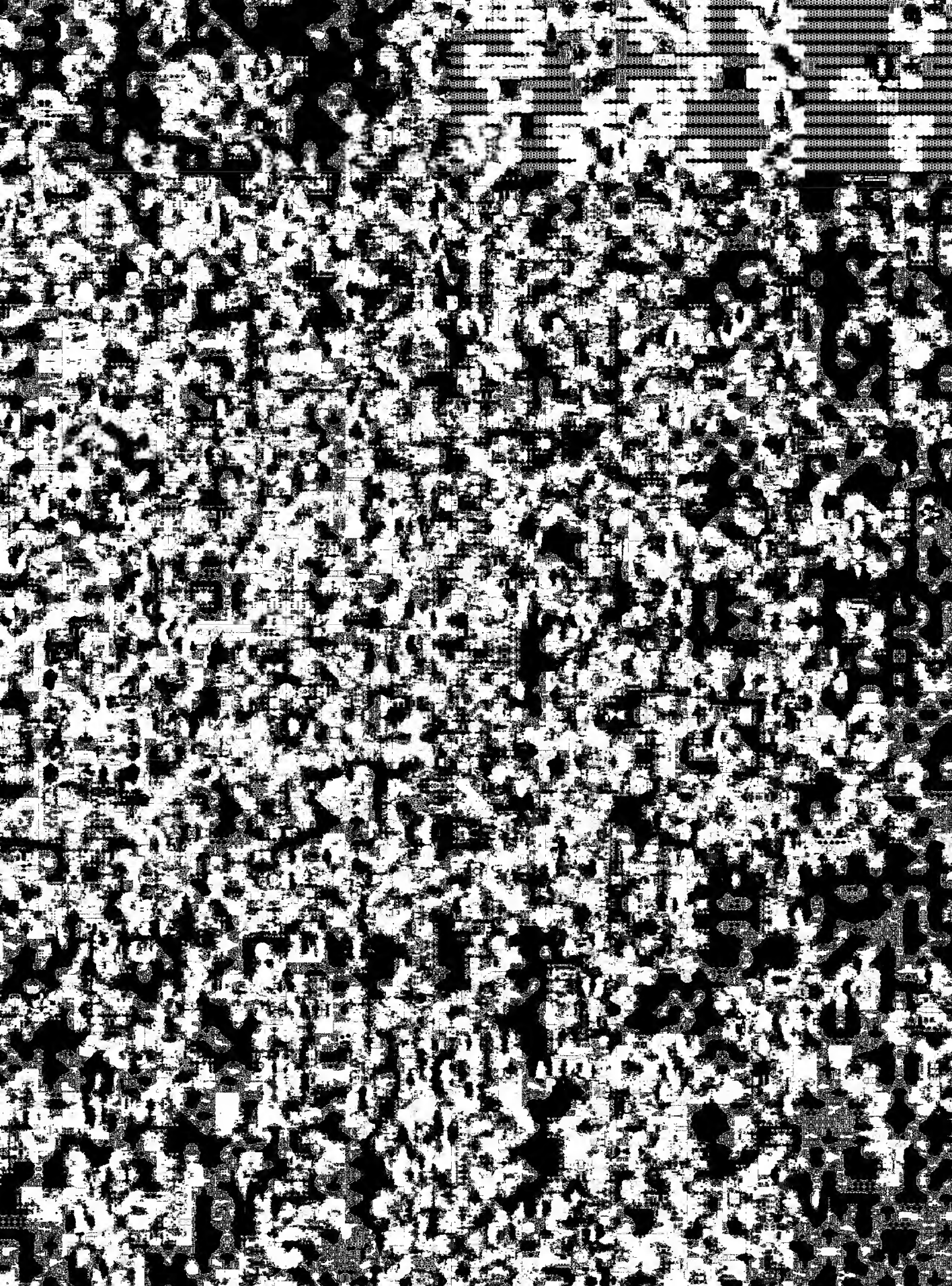
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| 1.. 5 -- Sartorius | 1 | HORSES and Dogs, Portraits, a Pair | <i>Mr Haughton</i> |
| " 15 -- | 2 | A Child returning from Gleaning, circular | <i>Mr Pope</i> |
| 1.. 1.. Gainsborough. | 3 | A Portrait | <i>Mr Nesbitt</i> |
| 1.. 1.. French | 4 | A Landscape with a Building and Figures, by a Gentleman Amateur | <i>Mr Miller</i> |
| 6.. 6 -- | 5 | The Portrait of Frederick the Great, a strong Likeness, excellently painted | <i>Mr Nesbitt</i> |
| 2.. 7 - Greuze | 6 | A Girl winding Worsted, a simple pleasing interesting Subject. | <i>W. J. Boyd</i> |
| 2.. 15 - Rembrandt | 7 | The Circumcision, after | <i>Marini Northford</i> |
| 2.. 2 - Breughel | 8 | A small Landscape, a Pair | <i>Mr Carter</i> |
| 1.. 11. 6 Batoni | 9 | A Magdalen | <i>Mr Mills</i> |
| 4.. 4 - Hamilton | 10 | Views in Italy, a Pair | <i>Mr Marden</i> |
| 1.. 15 - | 11 | The Portrait of Oliver Cromwell | <i>Mr Carter</i> |

- 2.. 5 - _____ 12 Cupid *Mr Carter*
- 2.. 3 - Schidoni 13 A Girl learning her Letters, after *do*
- 3.. 10 - Stalbens 14 The Interior of a Church with Figures *Mr Birch*
- 7.. 7 - Domenichino 15 St. Cecilia, after *Mr Paxton*
- 8.. 18. 6 J. Ruyfdael 16 Views in Holland, a Pair *Mr Haughton*
- 4.. 14. 6 Guercino 17 The Sybil, after *Mr Paxton*
- 8.. 16. 6 Raphael 18 The Madonia della Sedia, after *Mr Mills*
- 2.. 4 - Head 19 A Copy of the St. Jerome of Corregio *Mr Paxton*
- 7.. 17. 6 Ruyfdael 20 Landscapes, a Pair *Mr Mills*
- 6.. 16. 6 Guercino 21 A Copy of his famous Picture of Abraham and Hagar *Mr Carter*
- 8.. 18. 6 Flemish 22 An Interior, small Upright, Men Playing at Trictrac *Mr Mills*
- 5.. 15. 6 Corregio 23 An early Copy of the Marriage of St. Catherine, purchased at Naples *do*
- 3.. 3 - Stoop 24 A Horse with Figures, from the Collection of Monsieur de Calonne *Capt. Poole*
- 17.. 17 - G. Head 25 Bacchus and Ariadne, as large as Life, with Trees and Landscape in the Back Ground, great Merit in the Performance *do*
- 9.. 9 - Raphael 26 A very old and excellent Copy of the celebrated Picture of the Holy Family in the Orleans Collection, after *Mr Mills*
- 7.. 7 - Old Wyck 27 King William the Third on a Charger with an Army in the Back-ground, representing the Battle of the Boyne *do*
- 8. 16. 6 Moucheron 28 A Pair of upright Landscapes with Figures; very pleasing Pictures, and Companions *do*
- 7.. 7 - Parmegiano 29 The Holy Family, a very excellent Performance, from the Collection of Monf. de Calonne *Mr Carter*
- 15.. 15 - Perino del Vaga 30 The Bath of Venus, from the Orleans Collection. There are but few Pictures of this Master in the Country, and this Performance is an evidence of his great Abilities *Mr Birch*
- 11.. 0. 6 Corregio 31 A beautiful and the only complete Fac-Simile permitted to be taken from that renowned Picture in the Dresden Gallery *Mr Mills*
- 14. 14 - Carlo Dolci 32 A high finished excellent Portrait of a Nobleman in a Spanish Drefs, from the Colonna Palace *Mr Mackenzie*
- 15. 15 - Giorgione 33 A Concert, an early and excellent Specimen of this great Master's abilities *Mr Birch*

5. 15. 6 Head 34 An admirable Copy of the celebrated Jupiter and Iö of Corregio *Mr Bay*
 P. P. Schidoni 35 A Boy with his Horn Book under his Arm, from Capo di Monte; this Picture has the Seal of the Parma Family attached to it *Mr Mackenzie*
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 11. 0. 6 Cavalieri Pozzi 37 His own Portrait from the Orleans Collection *do*

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3. 15. - { 38 A small Cast of Milo, the Cretonian *Mr Lathurston*
 39 A small whole Length of a sitting Figure of a Female holding her Foot
 2. 7. - 40 Ditto of a Boy taking a Thorn from his Foot *Mr Barton*
 4. 14. 6 41 Ditto, a Venus drawing off her Vestment, admirably sculptured *Mr Baster*
 3. 13. 6 42 Ditto of the Apollo Belvidere; equally excellent *Mr Simpson*
 3. 3. - 43 Ditto, the Venus de Medicis, the deserved Companion *do*
 16. 16. - 44 A capital Bust of Seneca, sculptured at Rome *Cap. Boole*
 19. 19. - 45 Ditto of the Emperor Caracalla *Mr Blundel*
 12. 12. - 46 Ditto of Marcus Tullius Cicero *Mr Williams*
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 16. 16. - Vernet 49 Evening, the Companion, equally well painted *do*
 P. P. Breughel 50 An upright Landscape, with a Caravan and Figures Travelling, a very admirable Picture of this interesting Painter, the Trees green and lively, the Road natural, and the Sky harmonious *L. W. Russell*

- 7. 7. Spagnoletto 51 Democritus, from the Orleans Collection, an admirably depicted Countenance of this laughing Pilosopher, worthy the Pencil of the Master, and expressed with infinite humour *Mr Hope*
- 61. 19. De Heusch 52 Landscape, with Figures, Cattle and Travellers, a beautiful extended Country, and painted with a sweetness of effect equal to the Pencil of Both *Mr Burch*
- 31. 10. Cuyp 53 A Village on the Sea Coast, with Boats at the Mouth of the River, and a violent Thunder Storm, a subject on which none but a great Master would have ventured to exert his Pencil; a difficult and awful Subject, the short Waves when the Wind meets the Tide, admirably expressed; and the War of the Elements he has executed with a daring Pencil, deserving of, and demanded by the Subject *L^d Radnor*
- 10. 10. Van Dyck 54 In this Performance there is the multum in parvo of Perfection, the very Spirit and Essence of the Master. A dignified Subject on a small Scale, a finished Performance for his renowned Work at Ghent, in which this elegant Artist has displayed the thorough knowledge of the naked; with the Effect of the pale View of Death faithfully delineated *Mr Hill*
- 6. 6. Pordenoni 55 His own Portrait, from the Orleans Collection *Mr Mackenzie*
- 26. 5. Gerrard Douw 56 Entitled Gerard Douw's Mother, an exquisitely beautiful, perfect Cabinet Picture of singular Merit in every minute Part, and demands the Attention of the judicious Observer for Qualities that are most striking *L^d Yarmouth*
- 16. 14. Rubens 57 A capital Sketch, evidently intended to be made a finished Picture by the Attention he has paid to the Drawing and Design, the female Figure is peculiarly graceful, and the various Attitudes of the male Figures discover at first View the great Hand of the Master *Mr Offley*
- 40. 6. W. Van de Velde 58 A Calm, a small but beautiful Cabinet Performance, with a Variety of Vessels and Ships full of Figures; a Picture of rare Merit of this most elegant and admired Sea Painter. From the Collection of the Earl of Bute *L^d J. Bouverie*

9. 9 Berchem 59 Jupiter and Calista. This singular unique Picture is managed with judicious Effect, the Light and Shade is as grand as Michael Angelo Carravaggio, and the Story admirably well told *Mr Hill*
52. 10 Mignard 60 The Holy Family with St. John and a Group of Angels in a Landscape. Throughout this very interesting Performance there is a sweet Sobriety and general Effect of Colour truly delightful, and it is unquestionably the very best Specimen of this pleasing Master,—the Landscape and Figures in a happy unison of Propriety and Effect *Mr Burch*
54. 12 Terburg 61 A most perfect Work of this excellent Artist, and on a scale of Size of which there are but few of his Performances in the Country.—The Scenc, the interior of a Chamber, a Cavalier Sitting and Conversing by the Side of a Lady, who is drinking out of a Glafs, through the Transparency of which, the Carnations of her Countenance are sweetly discerned, with another Female Figure in the Foreground, to whose Dress the Artist has bestowed that Attention and Success, which has given to a favorite Passage in his Pictures; Sattin Drapery, the fac simile of what he intended to describe, as if taken from the Loom, not created from the Colors of his own Pallat.—It is truly admirable and faultless *Mr Mackenzie*
44. 2 Alex. Veronese 62 The Story of Diana and Acteon; the Subject colored and Drawn with his usual excellence, and with that attention to the Naked in various Attitudes, for the judicious Management of which, he has been invariably celebrated; a truly capital Performance *de*
60. 5 Gainsborough 63 A whole-length Figure, with a grand Landscape in the Background. This most incomparable Performance ranks this very celebrated Master among the First Class of Painters, both Antient and Modern. It has the Grace and Elegance of Van Dyck in the Figure, with a Countenance as forcibly expressed and rich as Morillio, with the Management of Titian, and is a Picture which cannot be too highly spoken of or too much admired *Mr Hoppner*
- now in the Collⁿ of Earl Gower*

147 - Vernet 64 A Storm, a most capital and perfect Picture of this celebrated Master, painted for Madam du Barry, in the Zenith of her Power, with all the Attention his great Art could bestow in the full Vigour of his inimitable Pencil. The Agitation of the Sea tremendous, the Figures admirable, and the whole Scene grand and uncommonly awful, and seems to realize the Words of the Poet—

Where Ocean groaning from his lowest Bed,
Heaves his tempestuous Billows to the Sky. *Mr Burch*

57.15 - Giorgioni 65 The Daughter of Herodias—a celebrated Picture in the Orleans Collection. A Picture of great and deserved Fame. A dignified Composition, and coloured with that Richness of Effect which was one of this renowned Master's great Excellencies. It is a noble Performance *Mr Mackenzie*

87.3 - Gainsborough 66 Landscape and Figures—a Cottage Scene—-emboomed in Trees, where the chief Attention is drawn to the Human Figure in a Number of Children at a Cottage Door, while the distant Landscape, though subordinate, is extremely beautiful. The Tout Ensemble is an admirable Proof how much Gainsborough was impressed with the Subject in the Contemplation of these interesting Scenes of humble Life, and to what Perfection he could bring them together on his inimitable Canvas, and with what Spirit and Truth. This is a capital Work of this great Painter *Mr Rogers*

34.13 - Guido 67 The Virgin and Child, a very celebrated Picture, the Devotion of the Virgin in contemplating the sleeping Innocence, the Divinity and Composure of the Savior is admirably executed, and the Figure of the Infant Savior of Mankind, accomplished with that Sweetness of Colour and Roundness, so remarkably displayed in the perfection of infantine Beauty, from the Collection of Mons de Calonne *Mr Mackenzie*

- 26..5- Nicolo Pouffin 68 A Nymph sleeping, with Satyrs admiring her, with Architecture and Landscape and numerous attendant Figures, the Nymphs beautifully drawn and coloured, and the whole Business of the Picture attended to with his usual Excellence, and has always been considered a first rate Performance of the Master *Mr Burch*
- 79..16- Cuyp 69 A Landscape with a Horse and reposing Cattle, and a view of the Town of Dordrecht in the distance. In this astonishing effort of this wonderful Painter's Pencil, the Artist has chosen for the time of year the season of the Summer solstice, and has introduced a grand Sky with the sublime effect of the burbling of a cloud furcharged with electric fluid, the Cattle, beautiful and correctly drawn, seem oppressed with the heat of the day, the Country parched, the whole scene true to Nature, and painted with a vigour and freedom of Pencil, and with that eye to keeping an effect, for which he stands unrivalled; it is an admirable Performance, and evinces the commanding powers of his art *Mr Comyns*
- 170..10- Cuyp 70 A Sea view, Figures on a Pier, Windmill, and Vessels at Anchor, a Moonlight, the Companion. Whatever subject Cuyp undertakes he is equally true to Nature and equally excellent, there is a stillness in this Picture, with an apparent freshness of Air, finely contrasted with the preceding Performance, with a sweet and solemn effect of Moonlight, from under a clouded Sky that is inexpressively captivating. Here every thing is delightful, the Sea is apparently in motion by the influence of the Tide, and there is a charm of colour pervades the whole that is in unison with the subject, and impresses the mind in looking attentively at this interesting Performance with that sensation of sober thought abstracted from the World, which Nature in these still moments and retired scenes, invariably inspires *Mr Sewell*

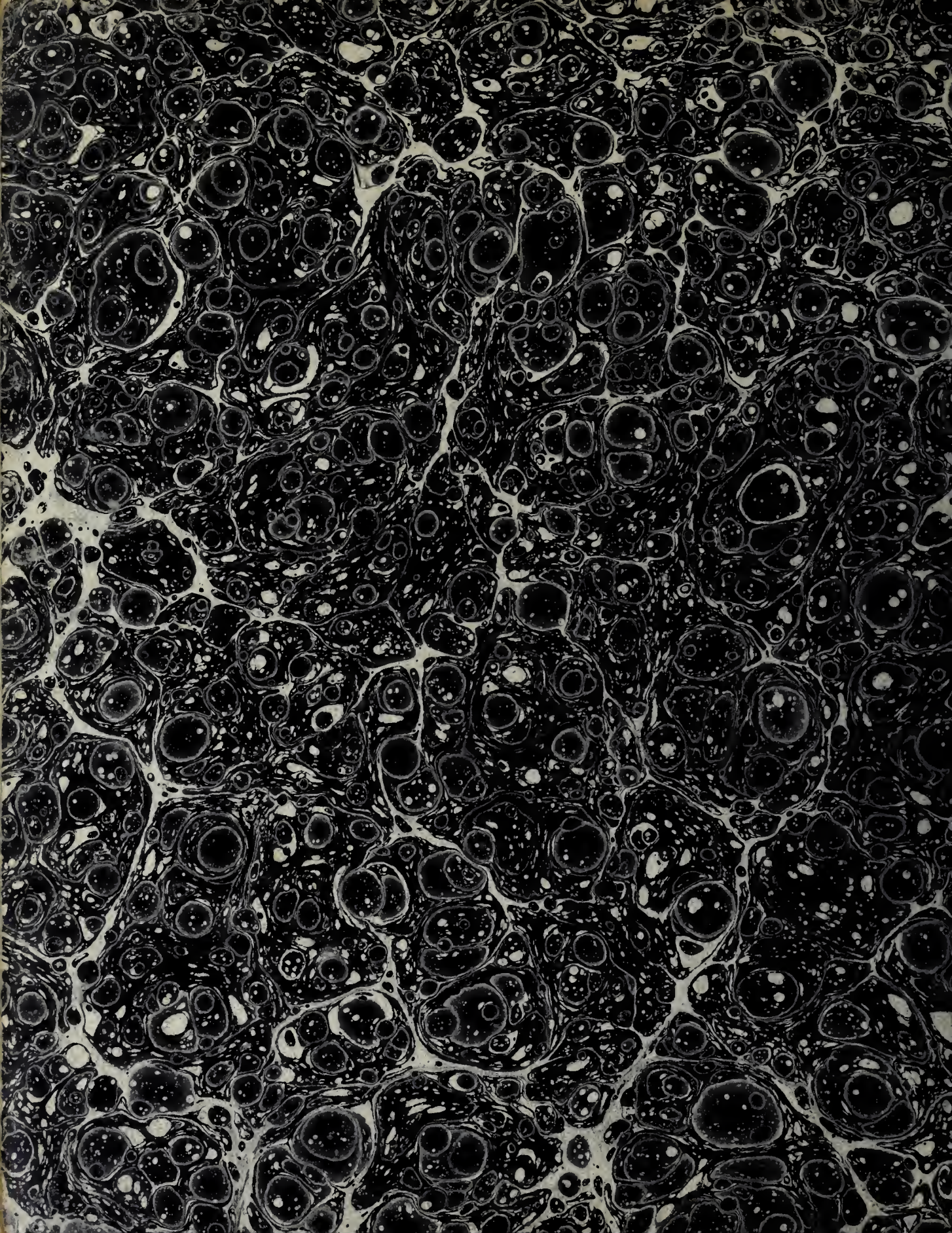
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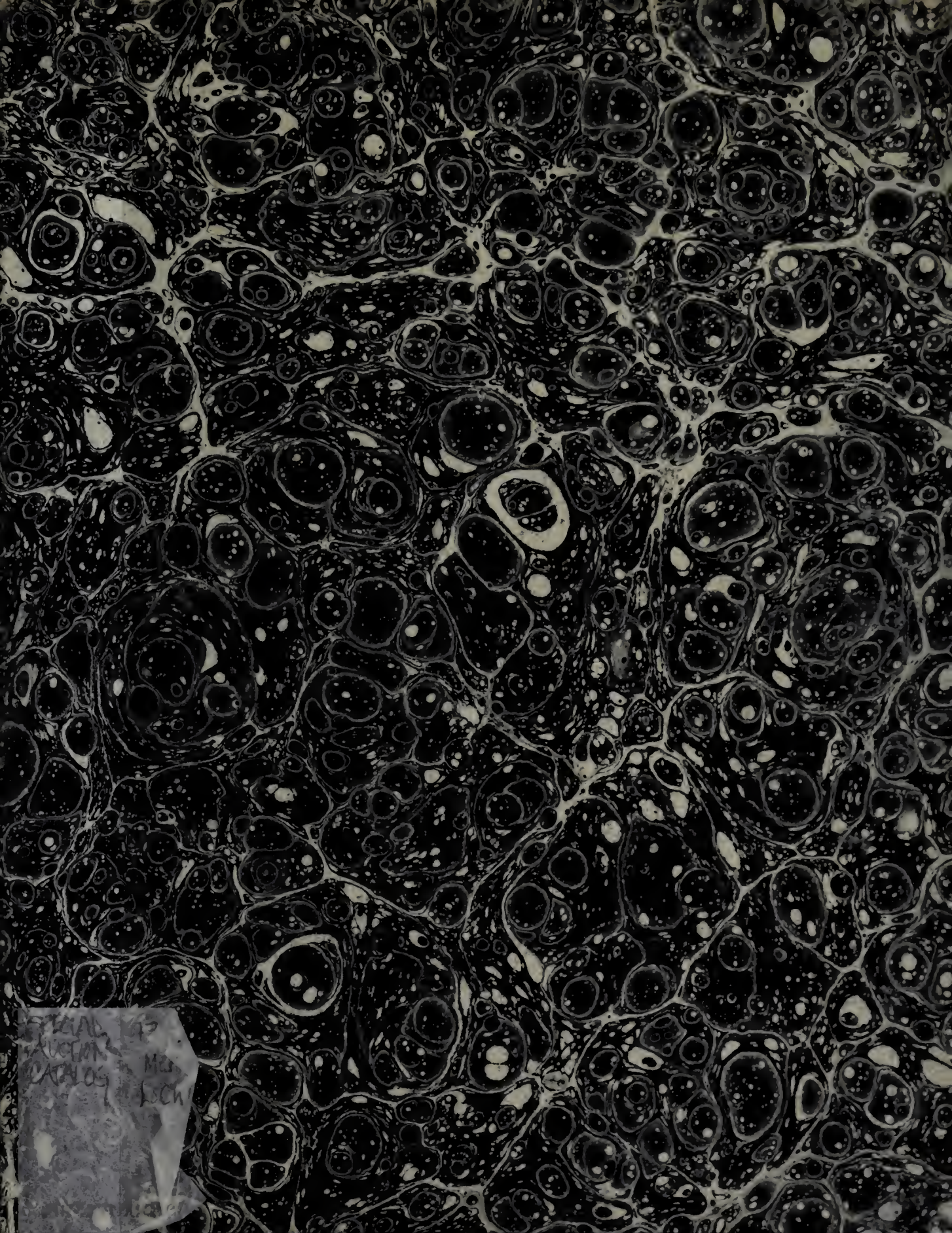
71 The Loves of the Centaurs, a most perfect Work of his immortal Pencil, replete with all that proper glow and harmony of Colouring judiciously blended, animated but not gawdy, which ranks him in the esteem of his best Judges pre-eminent in the Art. It is a Cabinet Picture of superior excellence, admirably managed throughout, and with a discretion respecting the Subject most happily executed. The Landscape is most delightful, and bears away the palm of Excellence from all his other Performances. This Picture was painted when Rubens was in Italy, and was always esteemed when on Classic ground the ne plus Ultra of Perfection, *J. W. Hamilton*

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